

**AMENDMENT TO THE RULES COMMITTEE PRINT**  
**FOR H.R. 4909**  
**OFFERED BY MR. GARAMENDI OF CALIFORNIA**

At the end of section 1090, add the following subsections:

1       (c) NATIONAL POLICY ON STRATEGIC ENERGY  
2 ASSET EXPORT TRANSPORTATION.—Section 3 of the Nat-  
3 ural Gas Act (15 U.S.C. 717b) is further amended by add-  
4 ing at the end the following:

5       “(h) NATIONAL POLICY ON STRATEGIC ENERGY  
6 ASSET EXPORT TRANSPORTATION.—

7           “(1) FINDINGS.—Congress finds the following:

8                   “(A) LNG is an explosive gas that can be  
9                   hazardous to national import and export termi-  
10                   nals and ports when mishandled.

11                   “(B) LNG is a strategic national asset, the  
12                   export of which will be used to preserve the  
13                   United States tanker fleet and skilled mariner  
14                   workforce that are essential to national secu-  
15                   rity.

16                   “(C) For the safety and security of the  
17                   United States, LNG should be exported on ves-

1 sels documented under the laws of the United  
2 States.

3 “(2) REQUIREMENT.—

4 “(A) IN GENERAL.—As a condition for ap-  
5 proval of any authorization to export LNG, the  
6 Secretary of Energy shall require the applicant  
7 to transport the authorized exports on vessels  
8 documented under the laws of the United  
9 States, as follows:

10 “(i) 15 percent of the LNG author-  
11 ized to be exported from 2020 to 2024.

12 “(ii) 30 percent of the LNG author-  
13 ized to be exported in 2025 and thereafter.

14 “(B) WAIVER.—If the United States Mari-  
15 time Administration determines that no United  
16 States-flag vessels are available to satisfy the  
17 applicable requirement under subparagraph (A),  
18 the requirement is waived until such time as  
19 qualifying United States-flag vessels are avail-  
20 able.”.

21 (d) OPPORTUNITIES FOR LICENSED AND UNLI-  
22 CENSED MARINERS.—Each Federal official responsible  
23 for the issuance of a permit authorizing the export of LNG  
24 shall require, as a condition and term of the permit, that  
25 the permittee shall provide opportunities for United States

- 1 licensed and unlicensed mariners to receive experience and
- 2 training necessary for them to become credentialed in
- 3 working on an LNG vessel.

